

Christ or Russel.

By Edna V. Funderburk.

I have been asked by an officer of the Woman's Missionary Union of S. C. to make some effort to suppress Russelism in Chesterfield Co.

It being impossible for me to meet our people face to face I take this means of reaching you each and every one, and talking with you around your own fire sides in the quiet hours of your homes. Our Bible the great and wonderful revelation of our God needs no defense from me. It stands for itself. It has stood the attacks made against it by those who oppose its doctrines throughout the centuries since it was written and today it stands out as a great light, for and in all the world wherever it has gone and is the most widely read the most popular book in all the world. That very fact is proof positive of its divine origin. Thousands upon thousands of preachers have been preaching from its pages through all the ages since it was written and yet it has not been exhausted but is ever full of new themes or fresh ideas for our meditation proving that it is an eternal, ever flowing fountain from a hand divine. Take any other book that the world has ever seen and how many years would it take our preachers to explain to us all that it contained? Not many. Long long ago they would have had to stop preaching because there would have been nothing more to say. Now you say, what has all that got to do with Russel? Isn't he teaching Bible? Well it is this way, you see.

The Bible is true, it must be true all of it or else we do not accept any of it. Now if a man tells you an absolute falsehood and you find out that he lied even in one instance then you are ready to doubt his word after that at any time. You are never sure that any thing he tells you is true and so with the Bible we must accept it all as true or reject it all.

Now if we accept it as true, then we must of necessity believe all it teaches. Well the first thing that Mr. Russel denies is the divinity of Christ. He says he was a perfect man but not divine. Our Bible says he was divine. He was the son of God, if he was not the son of God then we are all of us still dead in sin because no mortal man can or ever could take away our sin be he ever so good and pure, even the angels themselves could not do that. Then if Christ be not divine we are miserable beings in a most deplorable condition with no hope in this world or the next. There is an incident that fully explains the difference in a divine Saviour and a good teacher of morals. A poor woman lay dying, she had led a wretched life full of sin and shame. She knew that the end was near and she saw herself a sinner condemned in the sight of God, a sinner lost without hope; so she sent and requested some preachers to come and help her, the nearest one was a Unitarian; a man who had been preaching for years and holding up Christ before the world as an example worthy to be followed. A man who if we would do what he taught we would be saved but no more than a man. So he came and sat by the bedside of the poor woman, and began telling her how she must live, how she must follow the example of the man Christ Jesus and she would be saved. "O" she said "its too late now I am going to die, I cannot live to imitate Christ, O its too late, too

Examination at Monroe.

Monroe Enquirer.

A competitive examination for rural carrier will be held in Monroe on Saturday, April 25th, beginning at 9 o'clock. The examination is to fill an appointment on the new route to be established at Marshville on May 1st, and to create an eligible list for the county. The examination is open to all male applicants between the ages of 18 and 55. The compensation of a rural carrier depends on the length of the route and ranges from \$484 to \$1,100 at present, but after July 1st this year the salary will range from \$600 to \$1,200. The new route at Marshville is 16.8 miles long and will pay after July about \$85 per month. Applications must be executed and filed with the Commission in Washington, D. C., ten days prior to the examination and these with all necessary information can be secured from Mr John Fullenwider, local secretary, at the Monroe postoffice.

late; what must I do?" So the preacher says right then and there he saw his mistake. He saw that Christ must be a divine saviour to save those who came to him in the eleventh hour as he had said he would do. He saw him as a being who could forgive sins and save to the uttermost all who would come unto him and to that poor dying woman he preached his first real sermon. He told her of a divine Saviour who would cleanse her

guilty soul and save her even in her last hour, she saw and by the help of the spirit of God she believed and died triumphant in faith in a divine, a living Christ; and what became of the preacher? Well from that day on he preached Christ divine. Of course he had to quit his denomination, so he became a Baptist. The story is true; he tells it himself. Where could there ever have been a man whose name held the power in it that the name of Christ holds? He never wrote a book, he only in all of his life so far as we know wrote one line and it was written in the sand soon to be wiped out by the foot of the passer by. And we do not know a word of what it was. He never sang any great song that we have any record of, and we have the words of only one sermon that he ever preached and yet God has given him a name that is above all other names, for his name the thousands and thousands of churches that stand all over the world are built, countless numbers of hymns have been written and people by the millions are worshipping the one eternal God through him his son and the lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world.

All history is dated by his birth, all dates before his birth point to that time and all since point back to it so that even those who deny him are obliged to list their letters and their business transactions by his birth, thereby admitting without intending it that there was something great, something grand and awful, took place on this earth some where about 1900 years ago. Shame on any one who could allow themselves to doubt the divinity of Christ that is the great paramount truth of all the ages.

Principalities and power may fail but Christ has been, is and ever will be the truth itself. The truth above all other truths.

(To Be Continued.)

Chesterfield County's First Field Day a Big Success

Throngs In Attendance and Good Order Maintained

SEVENTEEN PRIZES WON BY PAGELAND SCHOOL

The first field day for the schools of Chesterfield county was held at the county seat last Saturday and the largest crowd ever assembled in the county in the interest of schools was in attendance. A shower about dawn caused some to stay at home, but from all parts of the county the people came until the sheriff of the county said, "There are thirty-five hundred people here." Others guessed twenty five hundred, at any rate, it was some crowd, to use the best English, and the balmy spring air made possible the joy and gladness of the day. They were there from every walk of life, from the little tot to the gray-haired veteran. From far and near, on buggies, wagons, trains, automobiles and horseback they came, and it was past the noon hour before the crowd had fully gathered.

Many beautiful and appropriate floats were arranged by the schools of the county, and the parade, which formed at the Chesterfield high school building and passed up main street to the court house, was fully half a mile in length. A number of the floats were bedecked with school children, and the other children present marched in twos in the parade. Chesterfield won first prize for the best float; Pageland

won second.

Best decorated wagon, \$3.00 cash, by Pine Grove; second, \$1.00 cash, by Wamble Hill.

Schools having floats or decorated wagons were: Center Point, Chesterfield, Cheraw, Pine Grove, New Hope, Vaughan, Orange Hill, Ruby, Pee Dee, Pageland, Wamble Hill, Montrose, Bay Springs and Mt. Croghan.

The recitation and declamation contests for high schools were held in the court house Friday night. Recitation—first, a five dollar gold piece, by Miss Elizabeth Horne of Cheraw; second, a book of poems by Miss Jessie Quick of Pageland. Declamation—first, five dollar gold piece, by Hugh Knight, Jr. of McBee; second, a book of poems, by Edward Wright of Cheraw.

The Rockingham band furnished music Saturday.

ATHLETIC CONTESTS

The athletic contests were held in the afternoon on Main street. Below is the list of the athletic committee: L. J. Stillwell and G. A. Sherrill of Cheraw, Prof. Duckett and W. J. Tiller of Chesterfield and H. L. Dickson of Pageland.

50 yard dash for small boys—first, a watch by Lewis Rivers, Mt. Croghan; second, a knife, Archie Hursey of Bethel; third by Abner Davis of Bear Creek.

100 yard dash—first a base ball glove by Austin Brewer of Pageland; second a knife by Bryan Huntley of Mt. Croghan; third by Dagnall Cato of Pageland.

220 yard dash—first, a base ball glove by Dagnall Cato of Pageland; second, a knife by Austin Brewer of Pageland; third by Bethel Plyler of Dudley.

Running high jump—first a ball and mitt, by Austin Brewer of Pageland; second a ball, by Zeb Smith of Pageland; third by Jim Brasington of Cheraw.

1 mile relay race for four boys from a school—first, a school clock, by Pageland's representatives, Reuben Threatt, Zeb Smith Dagnall Cato and Austin Brewer;

second, \$2.50 cash, by Chesterfield boys.

Running broad jump—first, a ball and mitt, by Dagnall Cato, of Pageland; second, a ball, by Austin Brewer, of Pageland; third by Bryan Huntley, of Mt. Croghan.

Standing broad jump—first, a ball and mitt, by Dagnall Cato of Pageland; second, a ball, by Austin Brewer of Pageland; third, Lee Davis, of Pine Grove.

440 yard dash—first, a kodak, by Bryan Huntley, of Mt. Croghan; second, a gold stick pin, by G. Burch of Mt. Croghan; third, Fred Parker of Bethel.

Standing high jump—first, a ball and mitt, by Dagnall Cato of Pageland; second, a ball, by Thornwell Sowell of Chesterfield; third, Austin Brewer of Pageland.

Pole Vault—first, pearl handle knife, by Theo. McAarn of Cheraw; second, a ball, by Edward Wright of Cheraw.

Potato Race for girls—first, gold pin, by Mary Funderburk of Chesterfield; second, hand mirror, Nora Jones, of Orange Hill; third Allie Lindsey of Center Point.

50 yard dash for girls—first, a gold pin, by Mamie Blackwell of Union; second, a hand mirror A. Turnage of Bear Creek; third, by Creola Griggs, of Vaughan's.

CONTESTS FOR RURAL SCHOOLS

Reading contests — Second reader—first prize a bottle of perfume, by Lucile Brewer of Zion; second a bottle of perfume, by Cora Lee Stroud of Vaughan.

Third reader—first, a book, by Notie Freeman of Pine Grove; second, a gold pin, by Novella Campbell of Campbell school.

Fourth reader—first, a book by Frank Jones of Bear Creek; second a gold pin, by Grace Ingram of Patrick.

Letter Writing, Class A—\$2.50 cash by Leonard Campbell of Campbell school; second, gold pin, by Ida Burch of Wexford.

Letter Writing class B—\$2.50 cash by Ethel White of Pine Grove; second, gold pin by Donald Matheson of Montrose.

Spelling Match—first, five dollar gold piece, by Miss Eula Mangum of Mangum's school.

For lack of room in the court room the recitation and declamation contests for rural schools were held in the open at the rear of the high school building. The first prize for the declamation, a five dollar gold piece, was won by Master James Spencer; second a book of poems, by Herman Funderburk of Dudley. Recitation, first, a five dollar gold piece, by Miss Minnie Skipper; second, a book of poems, by Miss Eula Funderburk of Mangums.

The \$12.50 Standard Dictionary offered to the school winning the most points in all contests was won by Pageland.

The gold medal given by T. W. Belk to the best all-round athlete will be taken by Dagnall Cato or Austin Brewer of Pageland. These two fleet-footed youngsters won in every contest they entered, and brought away many prizes and honors coveted by other contestants. Each won the same number of points in the contests. Pageland is justly proud of the excellent showing made by the representatives of the school at the first of the

1st Week Petit Jurors.

Court House.—Drue L. Smith, R. D. Marsh, J. P. Lisenby, J. W. Davis, E. W. Huntley, W. C. Sellers.

Mt. Croghan Township.—A. P. Allen, J. E. Fincher, I. N. Steen, W. H. Hendrick, J. W. Sellers, W. K. Woodward.

Cole Hill Township.—J. P. Boan, M. W. Shaw, E. O. Sellers, J. W. Sweet.

Jefferson Township.—T. A. Johnson, Thomas Boan, H. L. Baker, D. W. Knight, W. M. Snipes.

Cheraw Township.—J. H. Wells, S. S. Ingram, J. F. Harper, J. P. Jones, G. W. Guin.

Old store Township.—S. H. Laney, H. B. Sowell, J. E. West, Jno. F. Tadlock.

Steer Pen Township.—C. D. Ellerbe, J. N. Talbert, D. W. Turnage.

Alligator Township.—E. J. Norris, J. R. Odom, J. A. Outlaw.

2nd week Jurors.

Court House.—B. R. Spencer, H. K. Smith, E. R. Freeman, B. J. Douglass, Lewis H. Rivers, W. P. Swinnie.

Cole Hill Township.—A. J. Smith, P. W. D. McLean, H. M. Robert Turnage.

Steer Pen Township.—J. F. Powe, E. B. Freeman, J. M. Griggs.

Mt. Croghan Township.—G. C. Sellers, Oscar Griggs, W. E. Edkins, R. A. Redfearn, S. B. Timmons.

Cheraw Township.—W. E. McLaughlin, J. E. Bottoms, T. A. Funderburk, Thomas Brigman, W. A. Bull.

Alligator Township.—W. F. Pigg, T. N. Sowell, H. M. Pigg, W. B. Hall.

Jefferson Township.—E. J. Clark, J. D. Middleton, S. A. Campbell, G. F. Oliver, W. A. Sutton.

Old Store Township.—W. T. Edgeworth, J. R. Parker, T. W. Turner, J. C. Sanders.

Balloon Man Couldn't Cut Loose.

The Lincoln News.

The balloon ascension on last Thursday afternoon proved very exciting to the crowd of spectators who were present when the aviator took his flight to the clouds. All went well with the ascension until the aviator soared up to the clouds, and then he discovered that it would cost him perhaps, his life if he cut loose from the balloon as was the usual custom. The ropes connecting the balloon and parachute had become twisted, and according to the aviator to cut loose when the ropes are not straight will interfere with the opening of the parachute and the aviator would drop to the ground and meet death. The aviator knew if he cut loose he would likely meet death, and he also knew that if he stuck to the balloon he would perhaps meet the same fate. So he decided to stick to the balloon. After traveling about a mile in a northerly direction the balloon began to come down from the high altitude and gradually neared the ground, gaining speed as the gas in the balloon escaped. The aviator landed in a tree and escaped unhurt from his exciting experience.

county's meetings of this kind.

Supt. Rouse and Miss Evans and the teachers and the pupils are to be congratulated upon the splendid success of the day, for on this day history was made for Chesterfield county,

Soil Survey Chesterfield County

At the present time the United States Department of Agriculture is making a soil survey of this county. This work comes under the direction of the Bureau of Soils and is being carried on by a corps of soil experts from that office.

To map the soil of this county it is necessary to make a complete base map showing roads, railroads, streams, churches, school houses, houses and bridges. Upon this map is sketched the boundaries of the different classes of soils recognized by the Bureau of Soils. A soil auger 40 inches long is used for ascertaining the character of the subsoil. Representative samples of each type are collected and shipped to Washington for analysis.

The work in this county was started in November and over half of the county has been covered. Thirty-two separate and distinct soil types have been recognized and mapped in this county and a few more types will in all probability be encountered before the area is finished.

The map will be issued on a scale of one inch to one mile, and will be accompanied by a report in bulletin form. The report will give a general description of the county; a brief description of the climatic conditions; a large chapter upon the agricultural conditions; a chapter devoted to the general discussion of the soils from a point of formation and geology. Following this will be a description of each soil type. This will give the peculiar characteristics of each the crop adaptations, cultural methods and fertilizer requirements. The report will be concluded by a summary reviewing the salient points and also conclusions based upon the investigations of the soils of the county.

The soil survey of this county is part of a scheme to cover the entire United States with such surveys. At the present time about half the counties in state have been covered by surveys. The survey in this county was secured through the efforts of the Board of Trade of the city of Cheraw, the officials of Clemson College and the experiment station and the congressman from this district, Hon. D. E. Finley and to Hon. A. F. Lever, chairman of the agricultural committee of the house of representatives.

The reports will be ready for distribution within six or eight months and can be secured from the congressman from this district or from either of the United States senators.

The work in this county is being carried on by Messrs. W. J. Latimer, M. W. Beck and J. M. Snyder.

Items From Route One

Farmers out this way are a little late this spring, but it is probably for the best.

What about the county chain gang? Isn't it time the road out towards Hornsboro should have some work? We pay taxes too.

Mrs. Mattie Lowery and daughter of Altan, N. C., spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mrs. Kate Rayfield.

Mr. Brutus Martin and family spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Martin's father, Mr. J. F. Richardson.

Mr. John Smith has a child with pneumonia.

Preaching at Mt. Moriah next Saturday at 11 o'clock and Sunday at 3:30 by the pastor Rev. R. W. Cato.